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welds, selected at random by the operator, must be nondestructively tested over their entire circumference:

- (1) In Class 1 locations, except offshore, at least 10 percent.
- (2) In Class 2 locations, at least 15 percent.
- (3) In Class 3 and Class 4 locations, at crossings of major or navigable rivers, offshore, and within railroad or public highway rights-of-way, including tunnels, bridges, and overhead road crossings, 100 percent unless impracticable, in which case at least 90 percent. Nondestructive testing must be impracticable for each girth weld not tested.
- (4) At pipeline tie-ins, including tieins of replacement sections, 100 percent.
- (e) Except for a welder whose work is isolated from the principal welding activity, a sample of each welder's work for each day must be nondestructively tested, when nondestructive testing is required under §192.241(b).
- (f) When nondestructive testing is required under §192.241(b), each operator must retain, for the life of the pipeline, a record showing by milepost, engineering station, or by geographic feature, the number of girth welds made, the number nondestructively tested, the number rejected, and the disposition of the rejects.

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§ 192.245 Repair or removal of defects.

- (a) Each weld that is unacceptable under §192.241(c) must be removed or repaired. Except for welds on an offshore pipeline being installed from a pipeline vessel, a weld must be removed if it has a crack that is more than 8 percent of the weld length.
- (b) Each weld that is repaired must have the defect removed down to sound metal and the segment to be repaired must be preheated if conditions exist which would adversely affect the quality of the weld repair. After repair, the segment of the weld that was repaired must be inspected to ensure its acceptability.
- (c) Repair of a crack, or of any defect in a previously repaired area must be in accordance with written weld repair

procedures that have been qualified under §192.225. Repair procedures must provide that the minimum mechanical properties specified for the welding procedure used to make the original weld are met upon completion of the final weld repair.

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Subpart F—Joining of Materials Other Than by Welding

§192.271 Scope.

- (a) This subpart prescribes minimum requirements for joining materials in pipelines, other than by welding.
- (b) This subpart does not apply to joining during the manufacture of pipe or pipeline components.

§192.273 General.

- (a) The pipeline must be designed and installed so that each joint will sustain the longitudinal pullout or thrust forces caused by contraction or expansion of the piping or by anticipated external or internal loading.
- (b) Each joint must be made in accordance with written procedures that have been proven by test or experience to produce strong gastight joints.
- (c) Each joint must be inspected to insure compliance with this subpart.

§ 192.275 Cast iron pipe.

- (a) Each caulked bell and spigot joint in cast iron pipe must be sealed with mechanical leak clamps.
- (b) Each mechanical joint in cast iron pipe must have a gasket made of a resilient material as the sealing medium. Each gasket must be suitably confined and retained under compression by a separate gland or follower ring.
- (c) Cast iron pipe may not be joined by threaded joints.
- (d) Cast iron pipe may not be joined by brazing.

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§ 192.277 Ductile iron pipe.

(a) Ductile iron pipe may not be joined by threaded joints.

(b) Ductile iron pipe may not be joined by brazing.

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§ 192.279 Copper pipe.

Copper pipe may not be threaded except that copper pipe used for joining screw fittings or valves may be threaded if the wall thickness is equivalent to the comparable size of Schedule 40 or heavier wall pipe listed in Table C1 of ASME/ANSI B16.5.

[Amdt. 192-62, 54 FR 5628, Feb. 6, 1989, as amended at 58 FR 14521, Mar. 18, 1993]

§192.281 Plastic pipe.

- (a) General. A plastic pipe joint that is joined by solvent cement, adhesive, or heat fusion may not be disturbed until it has properly set. Plastic pipe may not be joined by a threaded joint or miter joint.
- (b) Solvent cement joints. Each solvent cement joint on plastic pipe must comply with the following:
- (1) The mating surfaces of the joint must be clean, dry, and free of material which might be deterimental to the joint.
- (2) The solvent cement must conform to ASTM Designation D 2513.
- (3) The joint may not be heated to accelerate the setting of the cement.
- (c) *Heat-fusion joints*. Each heat-fusion joint on plastic pipe must comply with the following:
- (1) A butt heat-fusion joint must be joined by a device that holds the heater element square to the ends of the piping, compresses the heated ends together, and holds the pipe in proper alignment while the plastic hardens.
- (2) A socket heat-fusion joint must be joined by a device that heats the mating surfaces of the joint uniformly and simultaneously to essentially the same temperature.
- (3) An electrofusion joint must be joined utilizing the equipment and techniques of the fittings manufacturer or equipment and techniques shown, by testing joints to the requirements of §192.283(a)(1)(iii), to be at least equivalent to those of the fittings manufacturer.
- (4) Heat may not be applied with a torch or other open flame.

- (d) *Adhesive joints*. Each adhesive joint on plastic pipe must comply with the following:
- (1) The adhesive must conform to ASTM Designation D 2517.
- (2) The materials and adhesive must be compatible with each other.
- (e) *Mechanical joints*. Each compression type mechanical joint on plastic pipe must comply with the following:
- (1) The gasket material in the coupling must be compatible with the plastic.
- (2) A rigid internal tubular stiffener, other than a split tubular stiffener, must be used in conjunction with the coupling.

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§ 192.283 Plastic pipe: Qualifying joining procedures.

- (a) Heat fusion, solvent cement, and adhesive joints. Before any written procedure established under §192.273(b) is used for making plastic pipe joints by a heat fusion, solvent cement, or adhesive method, the procedure must be qualified by subjecting specimen joints made according to the procedure to the following tests:
 - (1) The burst test requirements of—
- (i) In the case of thermoplastic pipe, paragraph 6.6 (sustained pressure test) or paragraph 6.7 (Minimum Hydrostatic Burst Test) or paragraph 8.9 (Sustained Static pressure Test) of ASTM D2513 (incorporated by reference, see § 192.7):
- (ii) In the case of thermosetting plastic pipe, paragraph 8.5 (Minimum Hydrostatic Burst Pressure) or paragraph 8.9 (Sustained Static Pressure Test) of ASTM D2517 (incorporated by reference, see §192.7); or
- (iii) In the case of electrofusion fittings for polyethylene pipe and tubing, paragraph 9.1 (Minimum Hydraulic Burst Pressure Test), paragraph 9.2 (Sustained Pressure Test), paragraph 9.3 (Tensile Strength Test), or paragraph 9.4 (Joint Integrity Tests) of ASTM Designation F1055 (incorporated by reference, see § 192.7).